



## Student Scholarship Program - In cooperation with

**APhA-ASP**  
AMERICAN PHARMACISTS ASSOCIATION  
ACADEMY OF STUDENT PHARMACISTS



The APhA Foundation Student Scholarship Program recognizes students who choose to invest their time in their school's APhA-ASP chapter to help shape the future of the profession while managing the demands of a full-time pharmacy curriculum. Applicants will be evaluated on their potential to become leaders for the profession of pharmacy, as demonstrated by involvement in school and community activities and academic performance.

This year, the Foundation will award thirteen to fourteen annual scholarships. The George F. Archambault scholarship is in the amount of \$1,500. All other Foundation scholarships are in the amount of \$1,000 each. The goal of the APhA Foundation is to award at least one scholarship per APhA-ASP region.

The thirteen named scholarships recognize gifts made by individuals or groups who wish to support the development of future leaders within the profession. The named scholarships recognize Mary Louise Andersen, George F. Archambault, the Boyle Family, Marvin and Joanel Dyrstad, Gloria N. Francke, Dr. John A. Gans, Robert D. Gibson, Samuel H. Kalman, Paul A. Pumpian, Juan and Esperanza Luna, Colonel Jerry W. Ross, Mary Munson Runge, and Charlie Thomas of Phi Lambda Sigma. Biographical information for each of these individuals may be found on the APhA Foundation website under the Student Scholarship Program page. Individuals applying for the Colonel Jerry W. Ross Scholarship, George F. Archambault Scholarship, and Charlie Thomas Scholarship will be required to complete additional application materials specific to each scholarship as noted below. The fourteenth scholarship is the APhA Foundation Scholarship.

### General Eligibility Criteria

- **Complete at least one academic year** in the professional sequence of courses.
- Earn a **cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75** on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent grading system) in professional coursework during pharmacy school.
- Be an **active member in the APhA Academy of Student Pharmacists (APhA-ASP)**. The applicant must show active participation in his or her chapter's activities, but is not required to hold a leadership position.

### Additional Criteria for the Colonel Jerry W. Ross Scholarship

*If you would like to be considered for the Col Jerry W. Ross Scholarship, please submit the following additional information on the application page. The Col Jerry W. Ross Scholarship is available to student pharmacists who meet the following criteria:*

- **Air Force pharmacy technician** pursuing a degree in pharmacy, or
- **Family member of an Air Force pharmacist or technician** who is enrolled in an accredited college of pharmacy; and,
- Demonstrates the **Air Force core values** of excellence, selflessness, integrity, leadership and academics. Preference given to those indicating further Air Force Service.

### **Additional Criteria for the George F. Archambault Scholarship**

*If you would like to be considered for the George F. Archambault Scholarship, please submit the following additional information on the application page. The George F. Archambault Scholarship is available to student pharmacists who meet the following criteria:*

- **Submitted an essay of up to 500 words** describing how your leadership and professional experiences enhance and align with the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) core values of service to the underserved, integrity, leadership, and academics.
- **Preference given to those indicating further USPHS service, including a USPHS residency program.**

AND

- **Completion of a COSTEP program or equivalent clerkship** experience at a USPHS facility.

OR

- **Child of a USPHS pharmacist.**

### **Additional Criteria for the Charlie Thomas Scholarship**

*If you would like to be considered for the Charlie Thomas Scholarship, please submit the following additional information on the application page. The Charlie Thomas Scholarship is available to student pharmacists who meet the following criteria:*

- Must be a member of Phi Lambda Sigma (PLS). Please attach proof of membership to application. A PLS membership certificate or a signed letter from your PLS Chapter Advisor are acceptable.
- One of the two letters of recommendation, the academic-based reference letter, should be from a college official or faculty member who can speak to the student's leadership or involvement with Phi Lambda Sigma and/or APhA-ASP. Involvement in either organization will suffice.

### **Additional Criteria for the Mary Munson Runge Scholarship**

*All applicants will be considered for this scholarship, but preference will be given to the following minorities as defined by the United States National Institute of Health: American Indians or Alaska natives, Blacks or African Americans, Hispanics or Latinos, Native Hawaiians or Other Pacific Islanders.*

## Application and Selection Process

- Submit a **transcript** to verify your GPA. An unofficial transcript in PDF or Word format is acceptable.
- Submit an **essay of no more than 500 words** addressing the following topic:
  - Healthcare has seen many changes recently, with an expansion of pharmacist provided patient care services in several emerging models of care. Explain why it is important that you drive innovation in the practice of pharmacy and what steps you have taken to contribute to transforming the profession.
- Submit **two letters of recommendation**.
  - Applicants should make arrangements with their recommenders in advance of completing the online application.
    - One letter should be from a college official or faculty member who can speak to the applicant's leadership and involvement in APhA-ASP (and/or Phi Lambda Sigma, for Charlie Thomas Scholarship applicants).
    - A second letter should be from a non-academic reference (i.e. pharmacist-employer, community service contact, pharmacy association or other membership association representative) addressing the applicant's strengths in areas not involving academics or APhA-ASP involvement.
  - Recommenders should submit their letters of recommendation to Brian Wall via email at [bwall@aphanet.org](mailto:bwall@aphanet.org). Letters of recommendation **must come directly from the recommender**.
- Submit a **current résumé or CV**.
- Submit a **bulleted list of pharmacy and non-pharmacy related activities** that demonstrate your community involvement and leadership skills. Please note activities for which academic credit was received.
- Previous APhA Foundation Student Scholarship recipients are not eligible; however, previous applicants are welcome to reapply.

## Submission Process

A completed application consists of a signed and dated application checklist, application form, transcript with GPA value, essay, two letters of recommendation, résumé/CV, and a bulleted list of activities. These documents must be received by **11:59 PM PST on Monday, December 1st, 2014**. No extensions will be granted. All documentation should be submitted via the FormSite application found on the APhA Foundation website: [www.aphafoundation.org](http://www.aphafoundation.org).

## Scoring Scale

The Student Scholarship Review Committee will review applications and score them according to the following point system:

10 points	Academic Performance
25 points	Pharmacy Related Activities
25 points	Non-Pharmacy/Community Activities
20 points	Essay
20 points	Letters of Recommendation

For questions, please contact Brian Wall, Executive Resident, at (202) 429-7503 or [bwall@aphanet.org](mailto:bwall@aphanet.org).